GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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GUIDELINES FOR NEW MEDICAL COLLEGES
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are considering to review the guidelines for new Medical Colleges in Hilly areas, Backward areas and Metro cities;

(b) if so, whether the Government have received any representations in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) when the existing guidelines were framed;

(e) by when the guidelines are expected to be reviewed; and

(f) the opinion of Medical Council of India in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a) to (f) In pursuance of the provisions of the Indian Medical Council (Amendment) Act, 1993 the Medical Council of India notified the Regulations for Establishment of New Medical Colleges in 1993.After undertaking a review, these Regulations have been replaced by the `Establishment of Medical College Regulations, 1999`.The Regulations of Medical Council of India are reviewed periodically. The Government have received representations for undertaking a review of these Regulations again for relaxation of certain provisions to enable setting up of new medical colleges in the backward and hilly areas and the metro-cities. The Medical Council of India is of the opinion that the provisions of the Regulations have to be enforced uniformly.